

No Open Burning On Fort Lewis!

Open burning is illegal at Fort Lewis, and violators are subject to criminal punishment, including fines of up to \$13,000 per day.

Additionally, Army Regulations prohibit some of these same activities, so military personnel found in violation may be subject to prosecution in accordance with the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ).

What constitutes open burning? Examples include:

- **Burning ANYTHING in a burn barrel**
*Although burn barrels are commonly used in overseas military operations, **they are prohibited for ANY and ALL uses—including burning classified documents**—on Fort Lewis and throughout Washington State*
- **ALL burning of construction debris**
- **ALL burning of yard debris**
- **ALL campfires and bonfires outside of designated recreation areas**
- **Those campfires and bonfires that burn anything other than wood for fuel (even if the campfire/bonfire itself is in authorized, and in a designated recreation area)**
- **ALL burning of household/workplace trash**



Don't pollute! Open burning is bad for human health and the surrounding environment. Most people who burn illegally are trying to get rid of something in an improper way. Thankfully, safer disposal methods for all types of debris, including classified material, are provided at Fort Lewis as regular installation support services. For more information on disposal alternatives, contact the Solid Waste Program Manager at (253) 966-6452.